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SUBJECT: REQUEST LEAHY AMENDMENT HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING

11. (SBU) ACTION REQUEST: As required by the Departments of State and Defense Leahy Amendments, Embassy requests that Washington conduct soonest the required human rights review of the below listed Panamanian Public Force person(s) and/or unit(s) and that State Department transmit the results to Embassy and U.S. Southern Command.

National Police (PNP), Darien Kuna Yala (DARKUN), Carlos Antonio Flores Hernandez, 26 August 1969, 2-126-139.

National Police (PNP), Darien Kuna Yala (DARKUN), Gabriel Isaias Medina Delgado, 29 January 1969, 8-304-405.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Ricardo Zapata, 4 January 1962, 8-268-534.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Ulpiano Omar Carrion Bernal, 23 March 1974, 2-152-636.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Caribbean Fleet (Flota de Caribe), Edilberto Enrique Sanchez Samaniego, 24 March 1965, 2-101-2469.

National Maritime Service (SMN), West Maritime Zone (Zona Maritima Occidental), Chiriqui and Veraguas, Jose Carlos Mendoza Alceco, 25 June 1968, 9-155-579.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Sixto Tomas Caballero Cisnenos, 6 April 1968, 8-384-486.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Pacific Fleet (Flota de Pacifica), Jose Luis Camarena Mendoza, 18 August 1971, 8-437-99.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Andres Ignacio Vargas Rodriguez, 18 September 1973, 2-162-2349.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Coastal Patrol Boat (Bote de Patrullaje Costera), Miguel Angel Palacio, 4 March 1975, 8-514-2367.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Cesar Antonio Gutierrez Walder, 25 February 1971, 8-414-862.

National Maritime Service (SMN), West Maritime Zone (Zona Maritima Occidental), Chiriqui and Veraguas, Faustino Perez Perez, 23 May 1977, 4-706-2072.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Luis Antonio Vergara Yao, 10 October 1974, 8-488-129.

National Maritime Service (SMN), Maintenance Division (DIMAN), Anel Gutierrez Ortega, 10 October 1971, 8-782-188.

National Maritime Service, (SMN), Marine Infantry (Infanteria de Marina), Zulimbianath Camarena Saavedra, 24 April 1981, 8-749-93.

12. (U) Embassy is currently conducting its own review and has thus far found no credible information that the aforementioned person(s)/unit(s) has been involved in gross human rights violations. Embassy thanks the Department in advance for its timely consideration of the response to this matter.

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